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SUBJECT: GHANAIAAN CANDIDATE FOR DIRECTOR GENERAL OF FAO

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1. IN RESPONSE CIRCULAR DIPLOMATIC NOTE (UN/FAO/2 VOL. 6, DATED MARCH 18, 1974) ADVISING EMBASSY OF SUBJECT CANDIDACY, EMBASSY MAY REPLY TO GOVERNMENT OF GHANA ALONG GENERAL LINES, SUCH AS ACKNOWLEDGING RECEIPT OF NOTE AND PROFESSOR SEY'S CURRICULUM VITAE, EXPRESSING APPRECIATION OF BEING INFORMED OF THE CANDIDACY OF PROFESSOR SEY, AND ASSURING GOG THAT USG WILL GIVE CAREFUL CONSIDERATION TO ITS REQUEST FOR SUPPORT. EMBASSY MAY MENTION THAT PROFESSOR SEY IS WELL AND FAVORABLY KNOWN TO MEMBERS OF USG AND THAT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ESTABLISHED PRACTICE, USG WILL NOT TAKE FORMAL POSITION IN MATTER UNTIL ALL CANDIDATES ARE KNOWN AND TIME OF 18TH CONFERENCE (NOV. 1975) IS APPROACHING.

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2. WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY EVALUATION OF HOW SERIOUSLY

GOG WILL PURSUE THIS CANDIDACY. FYI. POSSIBILITY HAS
BEEN EXPRESSED THAT PROFESSOR SEY IS NOT SERIOUS CONTENDER
--THAT GOG HAS SPONSORED HIM FOR PRESTIGE REASONS. MR.
M'BOW OF SENEGAL IS LEADING CANDIDATE TO HEAD UNESCO; CON-
SEQUENTLY, AFRICANS PROBABLY HAVE NO SERIOUS EXPECTATIONS
OF HEADING FAO AS WELL. END FYI. RUSH

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